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In re PATENT APPLICATION OF Confirmation No. 4921

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CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM LYMPHOMAS

AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. 1.111

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Sir:

This is in response to the official action [non-final rejection] dated November 29, 2006, wherein the claims were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a), and under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting. A declaration pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 is also submitted herewith. A petition for a two-month extension of time is hereby made, along with payment of the requisite fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a).